EARLY RETIREMENT - H. R. 8427

2. The Director pointed out that our retirement bill, H. R. 8427, after having been cleared unanimously by the House Armed Services Committee and through Rules Committee, was going to be voted on in the House tomorrow afternoon. The Director voiced his hope that the Senate would be able to consider this matter this year.

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- b. Senator Russell expressed his view that it should be clear that a future director would not have the ability to extend this retirement to basically headquarters-type personnel. Senator Russell then asked that he be provided with full information on this including the numbers and types of people to be covered indicating that if necessary a hearing could be held in the near future. I promised to give him a full package of material on this.
 - c. Senator Saltenstall then raised the problem that such a bill on the Senate floor would provide the opportunity for basic changes in the Agency setup and its relationship with the Congress by means of amendments which would establish a separate committee for intelligence matters or establish another method for budgeting. Russell agreed that this is a matter which should have very careful consideration.